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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
FUMIHIKO NAKAMURA)	Examiner: Anthony H. Nguyen
Application No.: 10/671,617)	Group Art Unit: 2854
Filed: September 29, 2003)	
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.


For a concise explanation of the relevance for the non-English document JP-2002-084424 the Examiner is referred to the English abstract.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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